

Lecture: The Botany, History & Future of Chrysanthemums

Event Date:

Sat, Oct 10, 2015

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Each fall chrysanthemums bring diverse colors and floral forms to our gardens and homes. Brought under cultivation in Asia thousands of years ago, they have important cultural, medicinal and culinary uses in Chinese and Japanese cultures in addition to their popular horticultural uses. In the 1800s, they became a passion for gardeners and breeders in Europe and the young United States. Come and learn which First Lady attended the national chrysanthemum show in Indianapolis so she could present the grand prize to the winning grower. Learn how modern analytical and breeding methods are being applied around the world to improve the disease- and insect-resistance and to improve production methods of these "Starry Eyed Daughters of the Fall."

Date: Saturday, October 10

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Location: Conservatory Classroom

FREE:Pre-registration required

